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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. John Walker
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SUBJECT: CIA Relations with [Lykes Steamship] Company

REFERENCE: Review Staff Memorandum (RS-76-0421/A), dated
19 May 1976

1. Cover and Commercial Staff (CCS) files reveal that three CIA employees served under cover of the [Lykes Steamship] Company during all or part of the period 1962 through 1964. One Agency officer was placed abroad under [Lykes] cover from 1961 to 1968. A second served under the same cover from 1953 to July 1962 before leaving the Agency to take a bona fide position with the company; he later agreed to assist the Agency as an intermittent source in Europe from 1964 to early 1967. A third officer was placed with [Lykes] in this country in 1961 and underwent training in anticipation of an overseas assignment; he was withdrawn the following year when the assignment abroad was cancelled.

2. There is no reference to Mr. [Owen Barnell] in CCS files.

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